

**Idaho Bureau of Emergency Medical Services & Preparedness
Basic Life Support Psychomotor Examination**



PATIENT ASSESSMENT/MANAGEMENT – TRAUMA

Candidate: _____
Date: _____
Scenario #: _____
Actual Time Started: _____

Examiner: _____
Signature: _____

	Possible Points	Points Awarded
NOTE: Areas denoted by “**” may be integrated within sequence of Primary Survey/Resuscitation		
Takes or verbalizes appropriate body substance isolation precautions	1	
SCENE SIZE-UP		
Determines the scene/situation is safe	1	
Determines the mechanism of injury/nature of illness	1	
Determines the number of patients	1	
Requests additional EMS assistance if necessary	1	
Considers stabilization of the spine	1	
PRIMARY SURVEY/RESUSCITATION		
Verbalizes general impression of the patient	1	
Determines responsiveness/level of consciousness	1	
Determines chief complaint/apparent life-threats	1	
Airway -Opens and assesses airway (1 point) -Inserts adjunct as indicated (1 point)	2	
Breathing -Assesses breathing (1 point) -Assures adequate ventilation (1 point) -Initiates appropriate oxygen therapy (1 point) -Manages any injury which may compromise breathing/ventilation (1 point)	4	
Circulation -Checks pulse (1 point) -Assesses skin [either skin color, temperature or condition] (1 point) -Assesses for and controls major bleeding if present (1 point) -Initiates shock management [positions patient properly, conserves body heat] (1 point)	4	
Identifies patient priority and makes treatment/ transport decision (based on calculated GCS)	1	
HISTORY TAKING		
Attempts to obtain sample history	1	
SECONDARY ASSESSMENT		
Head -Inspects mouth**, nose** and assesses facial area (1 point) -Inspects and palpates scalp and ears (1 point) -Assesses eyes** (1 point)	3	
Neck** -Checks position of trachea (1 point) -Checks jugular veins (1 point) -Palpates cervical spine (1 point)	3	
Chest** -Inspects chest (1 point) -Palpates chest (1 point) -Auscultates chest (1 point)	3	
Abdomen/pelvis** -Inspects and palpates abdomen (1 point) -Assesses pelvis (1 point) -Verbalizes assessment of genitalia/perineum as needed (1 point)	3	
Lower extremities** -Inspects, palpates and assesses motor, sensory and distal circulatory functions (1 point/leg)	2	
Upper extremities -Inspects, palpates and assesses motor, sensory and distal circulatory functions (1 point/arm)	2	
Posterior thorax, lumbar and buttocks** -Inspects and palpates posterior thorax (1 point) -Inspects and palpates lumbar and buttocks areas (1 point)	2	
VITAL SIGNS		
Obtains baseline vital signs [must include BP, P, R] (1 point)	1	
Manages secondary injuries and wounds appropriately	1	
REASSESSMENT		
Demonstrates how and when to reassesses the patient	1	
Actual Time Ended: _____	TOTAL	42

Critical Criteria

- ___ Failure to take or verbalize body substance isolation precautions
- ___ Failure to initiate or call for transport of the patient within 10 minute time limit
- ___ Failure to determine scene safety
- ___ Failure to assess for and provide spinal protection when indicated
- ___ Failure to voice and ultimately provide high concentration of oxygen
- ___ Failure to assess/provide adequate ventilation
- ___ Failure to find or appropriately manage problems associated with airway, breathing, hemorrhage or shock
- ___ Failure to differentiate patient's need for immediate transportation versus continued assessment/treatment at the scene
- ___ Performs other assessment before assessing/treating threats to airway, breathing and circulation
- ___ Uses or orders a dangerous or inappropriate intervention

You must factually document your rationale for checking any of the above critical items in the space below.

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